

## Arts Across Wisconsin

**2016-2017**—What a fascinating school year! This issue shares a sample of arts events and highlights that have occurred so far. A special thank you to the students, parents, arts educators, and school staff who have engaged in these arts rich experiences across the state. Together we are shaping some valuable arts learning opportunities for our young people in Wisconsin.

**Share** your news, events, and arts classroom ideas through the links below:

- [\*Kudos\*](#) - news of honors, events, and special arts awards
- [\*From the Field\*](#) - classroom strategies
- [\*Creative Classrooms\*](#)

Thank you for all you do in arts education.  
-Julie



Harmony ES Chorus of Milton performs at the Wisconsin State Capitol. Watch the [Wisconsin Eye Video](#). [WMEA](#)



Young at Art, Madison Schools and MMOCA, exhibit K-12th grade student artwork.



Choralation of Milton HS performs at the Spotlight Spectacular at Craig HS in Janesville. [Results](#)



Pizazz of Watertown School District performs at the Wisconsin State Capitol. See [WMEA Capitol Concerts](#).



[Scholastic Art Exhibit](#) in Milwaukee Art Museum highlights student artwork. Example shared is from Kewaskum HS.



Tonawanda ES Band of Elmbrook School District performs at the Wisconsin State Capitol. See [WMEA Capitol Concerts](#).

## Celebrations for Music in Our Schools Month and Youth Art Month

Congratulations to the student artists who have their artwork on display during the Youth Art Month exhibit at the State Capitol in Madison. Students are recognized not only through the exhibition of their artwork at the Capitol, but several are honored with special awards given during the YAM Exhibit Closing Ceremony. The ceremony is March 31, 2017. Visit the [website to see the students mentioned for these awards](#).

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) selects two pieces each year from the Youth Art Month exhibit to highlight within the state agency building. Student work is selected, matted, framed, and exhibited at DPI. **DPI Award winners include:**

Student: Maya Saha  
Grade: Kindergarten  
Artwork Title: I am  
School: Dousman Elementary  
Teacher: Keelin McMurtagh



Student: Rylee Krumrei  
Grade: 12<sup>th</sup>  
Artwork Title: The House of One Million Dots  
School: Oconto Falls High School  
Teacher: Jan Wallrich



## Essentially Ellington

Congratulations to Sun Prairie High School Jazz I students for being selected to participate in the Essentially Ellington Competition in New York City this spring. They are one of 15 groups selected for this honor. They are under the direction of Music Teacher, Steven Sveum.



## School Celebrations

**Submit your lesson ideas** for future newsletters. Share these at the link "[From the Field.](#)"

**Title** - Connections with other content/community

**Shared by** - [Jessica Stortz](#), Art Teacher in Mayville

**Description** - To celebrate YAM and MIOSM in March we will have six local businesses hosting a small display of student artwork along with a poster including a QR code that links to a recording of student music.

**Title** - Concerts in the Community / Student Art Show at LYWM

**Shared by** - Marie Northup, Principal & Fine Arts Coordinator for Wausau School District

**Description** - Community concerts by multiple music groups from elementary to high school are scheduled. Students in grades 5-8 will have artwork on display during the month of March at the [Leigh Yawkey Woodson Museum](#).

**Title** - Orchestra Performance

**Shared by** - [Kirsten Hornby](#), Music Teacher in Wausau School District

**Description** - The Wausau Orchestra Students performed in a collaborative concert with Mark Wood and the Vic Ferrari Orchestra at The Grand Theater.

**Title** - District Art Exhibit

**Shared by** - Verona School District

**Description** - The Verona School District Art Exhibit is set up in multiple locations. The displays highlight student artwork for K-12th grade. See the [pictures of artwork](#) online.



**Title** - Art Cluster (GT Opportunity)

**Shared by** - [Tammy Steckbauer](#), Art Teacher in Wausau School District

**Description** - Fourth and fifth grade students identified as GT in the area of Visual Arts will have a month long display of their work at the Marathon County Public Library.

**Title** - Awards Ceremony

**Shared by** - [Ryan Priebe](#), Art Teacher in Wausau School District

**Description** - Wausau will host an awards ceremony for Duck Stamp winners during Youth Art Month.

# WI DPI Music Standards Review Survey

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Music Standards Review began in February with the launch of a public survey and a notice of intent for this work. After a review of the survey feedback and sharing of music in our schools, the Superintendent's Standards Review Council has approved next steps in establishing a standards writing team for music. Team members will be solicited soon and will be involved in reviewing the survey feedback, current voluntary Music Education standards, and other music standards examples including the National Core Arts Standards. This process was created by the Wisconsin legislature and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and involves the wide gathering of ideas from multiple persons including music teachers, administrators, parents, business professionals, music industry and service organizations, and leaders from across the state. Regardless of the final outcome of this work, the standards will continue to be voluntary for districts. **Districts are free to consider the standards of their choice for their community of learners. Wisconsin Academic Standards are not required to be adopted by school districts under state law.** For additional information about standards, check the April newsletter 2015 for more information and the links below. I thank you for your patience and the feedback you continue to share. If you have any questions about this work, please email your ideas and questions to [DPIMusicStandards@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:DPIMusicStandards@dpi.wi.gov).

## Disciplinary Literacy (DL) —Arts

To learn more about what DL looks like in arts classrooms. Click on the VIDEO page. Each DL area—reading, writing, listening, critical thinking, speaking, and performing are showcased. Also go to the Tip Sheet, 2012-13 #7 & #8, WI DPI Text Types, and Rubrics.



Professional Development options are listed within the Fine Arts Professional Development calendar. Contact Julie Palkowski if your district is interested in discussing face-to-face or networking options.

## SLOs in the Arts

SLO Arts Sharing Site - Post your ideas online and get feedback from others.

Resources and online materials:

- Student Learning Objectives in the Arts PD site provides all session materials and extension activities for learning.
  - Fine Arts and Creativity newsletter issues 2013 Issue #3, Issue #4
  - SLO in the Arts - Tip Sheet
  - Wisconsin DPI SLO Site
  - Updated Template (Version 7)
  - Template and Critical Friends Document
- Wisconsin arts SLO examples and rubrics for: Art, Choir, Dance, Theatre, Instrumental Music, General Music, Disciplinary Literacy SLO Rubric



## Just In Time Links

### Additional education sites:

[Annenberg Learner](#)  
[ArtsEdge: Multimedia](#)  
[Art of Education \(AOE\)](#)  
[BadgerLink](#)  
[BBC Learning Zone](#)  
[Education Closet](#)  
[From the Top](#)  
[MAM Teacher Resources](#)  
[PBS Arts](#)  
[Teaching Channel](#)  
[Teaching Today](#)  
[Watch Know Learn](#)  
[Wisconsin Biographies](#)  
[Wisconsin Media Lab](#)

## Events

- [WI DPI Fine Arts Professional Development Calendar](#)
- [Milwaukee Art Museum events and educator resources](#)
- [UW-Madison Arts & Humanities Events](#)
- [UW-Parkside Professional Development Courses](#). [Register online](#). For questions, contact Marti Sopher, [cacllc@charter.net](mailto:cacllc@charter.net); 608-772-0794
- [UW-Stevens Point Dance Productions](#)
- [VSA Wisconsin Events](#)
- [WCME Center Events](#), [Professional Development Events](#)
- Wisconsin Arts Board—[Wisconsin Folk](#) site for events and artist lists.
- [Wisconsin Teachers of Local Culture](#)
- [Woodson Art Museum Teacher Resource Guide](#), Wausau

## Past Newsletter Issues



## State Superintendent News



Check out the video series, "[The Power of Arts Education](#)." These share the role the arts play in the lives of our students and their communities in Wisconsin. State Superintendent Tony Evers shares his message for a comprehensive arts education for all. [Video Profiles](#)

**Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction updates** are provided online. Highlights recently posted include:

- [DPI Site](#) - latest news and links
- [DPI ConnectEd](#) - arts articles; [Past Fine Arts Education Postings](#); [WisconsinDPI YouTube](#); [Arts Videos](#)

### WI DPI Arts Education Google

Click to join any of the following groups:

- [WI DPI Art Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Dance Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Media Arts Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Music Educators](#)
- [WI DPI Theatre Educators](#)



### DPI Fine Arts Sites

- [Fine Arts and Creativity Education](#)
- [Fine Arts Pedagogy](#); [Teacher Licensure](#) - fine arts
- Wisconsin Academic Standards posters:

- ◇ [Art and Design](#)
- ◇ [Dance](#)

- ◇ [Music](#)
- ◇ [Theatre](#)

## Sharing Opportunities

**Do you have an instructional strategy, creative assessment method, or engaging classroom resources to share? Submit ideas to:**

- [Kudos](#) - news of honors, events, and special arts awards
- [From the Field](#) - classroom strategy sharing
- [Creative Classrooms](#) - innovative strategies/resource



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